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Idaho Monthly Milk Production Up 11.0 Percent

Idaho milk production during February 2008 totaled 940 million pounds, an 11.0 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 59 million pounds from January 2008, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. February 2008 had one extra day compared to 2007. Revised production for January 2008 totaled 999 million pounds, up 2 million pounds from the preliminary estimate, and 7.5 percent above January 2007. Average milk production per cow in February 2008 was 1,760 pounds, down 110 pounds from January 2008, but up 80 pounds from February 2007. The average number of milk cows during February was 534,000 head, unchanged from January 2008 but up 30,000 head from February 2007.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 6.0 percent from February 2007. January revised production at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from January 2007. The January revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,653 pounds for February, 69 pounds above February 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 136,000 head more than February 2007, and 9,000 head more than January 2008.



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